

HOUSE BILL 2348

By Howell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 33 and Title 68, relative to emergency
services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-306(f), is amended by deleting the language "A separate license shall be" and substituting the language "Except as provided in subdivision (f)(2), a separate license is".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-306(f), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following as subdivision (2):

(2)

(A) This part does not require an ambulance service that holds a valid and unencumbered license to operate in one (1) or more counties in this state to hold a license specific to, or establish a base of operations in, a county for which that ambulance service is not licensed in order to provide a secondary mental health transport to, from, or through that county.

(B) As used in this section, "secondary mental health transport" means the transportation of an individual from one (1) healthcare facility to another healthcare facility for the purposes of mental health evaluation or treatment.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.